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TIPPECANOE COUNTY INDIANA WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2020:

COVID-19 UPDATE

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The Tippecanoe County Health Department continues to track the evolving COVID-19 pandemic and its impact on the community. New cases are increasing in the county to their highest levels so far with an average of 54.3 cases per day from October 16 - 22 and 67.2 cases per day for the last five days. The county's cumulative percent positivity for unique individuals is 6.4%. Hospitalizations locally for COVID-19 are also increasing. In addition, there have been two more deaths due to COVID-19 in the county, bringing the total number of deaths to 16. As part of its efforts to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in the community, the Tippecanoe Health Department is issuing a Health Officer's Order limiting the size of social gatherings. Evidence continues to point to social gatherings as a significant source of COVID-19 transmission.

Effective November 4, 2020, social gatherings will be limited to 100 people unless approved by the Tippecanoe County Health Department. For social gatherings involving more than 100 people, event organizers must develop and submit to the Tippecanoe County Health Department a written plan at least 7 days in advance of the event outlining the steps to be taken to mitigate against COVID-19.

The full Health Officer's Order containing the definition of a social gathering, exclusions, and requirements for event approval can be found in the attached order and will be posted on the Tippecanoe County Health Department website.

The Tippecanoe County Health Department advises caution and careful planning for social gatherings of any size involving people from separate households. Face coverings are required per Governor Holcomb's Executive Order 20-43 and social distancing of six feet should be maintained between people not from the same household.